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PETITION TO EXTEND

Petition is hereby made to extend the life of the above-entitled application for five month(s) from the due date of November 26, 2003, of the Notice of Appeal dated September 26, 2003.

An extension fee of \$2010 is now attached in order that a continuation application may be filed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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